

**Amendments to the Specification:**

The present response is being filed simultaneously with a Transmittal of Substitute Specification under 37 C. F. R. § 1.125. For amendments to the specification, please refer to the Substitute Specification being filed herewith. Pursuant to Section 608.1(q) of the MPEP, the present substitute specification includes, without markings, the amendments made in the Preliminary Amendment of June 15, 2001, in the instant case, as well as the correction of certain typographical and spelling errors, made herein.

Pursuant to 37 C. F. R. § 1.125(c), an interlineated copy of the Substitute Specification, specifically pointing out the presently made additions and deletions (but not the amendments previously entered in connection with the Preliminary Amendment of June 15, 2001), is additionally included herewith. A Statement that the Substitute Specification contains no new matter, additionally accompanies the Substitute Specification.